

In re Appl. No. 09/144,851

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by reducing citric acid content, (or)

(3) a mixture of (1) and (2); and

(b) a dilution of (a);

wherein the reducing of citric acid content in (2) has been effected by

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(i) adding calcium carbonate to the non-yet-pH-adjusted, one member or mixture of plural members or each of the plural members before preparing the mixture of plural members, and removing precipitated calcium citrate therefrom or

(ii) contacting resin with the non-yet-pH-adjusted, one members or mixture of plural members or each of the plural members before preparing the mixture of plural members, thereby removing citric acid therefrom.

Please amend claim 25 as follows:

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25. (Amended) The method according to claim 21 wherein the reducing of citric acid content in (2) has been effected by reducing citric acid content by from 50 to 100% by weight in (i) or (ii) in claim 21.